



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Proposed Information Collection (Foreign Medical Program); Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the *Federal Register* concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to reimburse healthcare providers for medical services provided to veterans with service-connected disabilities living or traveling overseas.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov); or to Cynthia Harvey Pryor, Veterans Health Administration (10P7BFP), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail: [cynthia.harvey-](mailto:cynthia.harvey-)

[pryor@va.gov](mailto:pryor@va.gov). Please refer to "2900-0648" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Harvey-Pryor (202) 461-5870 or FAX (202) 273-9387.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501 – 3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Titles:

- a. Foreign Medical Program Registration Form, VA Form 10-7959f-1.
- b. Claim Cover Sheet - Foreign Medical Program, VA Form 10-7959f-2.

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Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstracts:

- a. Veterans with service connected disabilities living or traveling overseas complete VA Form 10-7959f-1 to enroll in the Foreign Medical Program.
- b. Healthcare providers complete VA Form 10-7959f-2 to submit claims for payments or reimbursement of expenses relating to veterans living or traveling overseas (except for the Philippines) with service-connected disability. VA will accept provider's generated billing statement, Uniform Billing--Forms (UB) 04, and Medicare Health Insurance Claims Form, CMS 1500 for payments or reimbursements.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden:

- a. Foreign Medical Program, VA Form 10-7959f-1 – 111 hours.
- b. Claim Cover Sheet, VA Form 10-7959f-2 – 3,652 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:

- a. Foreign Medical Program, VA Form 10-7959f-1 – 4 minutes.
- b. Claim Cover Sheet, VA Form 10-7959f-2 – 11 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

- a. Foreign Medical Program, VA Form 10-7959f-1- 1,660.
- b. Claim Cover Sheet, VA Form 10-7959f-2 – 19,920.

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By direction of the Secretary:

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